

## 2006 National Theme



### *Exhibitor Displays*

SVRCDEA welcomes displays of assistive technology, support groups, businesses and agencies who are supportive of and have interest in providing assistance to persons with disabilities. Exhibitors are encouraged to focus their displays on employer/employee needs.

There is no extra charge for displays, however, space is limited to a first come, first serve basis. If you are interested in having a display at the luncheon, please provide the following information in addition to your luncheon registration (see reverse side).

### *Exhibitor Registration*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

# Tables Needed: \_\_\_\_\_

Electricity Needed? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Other Needs: \_\_\_\_\_



## SVRCDEA

The Shenandoah Valley Regional Committee for Disability Employment Awareness (SVRCDEA) is a voluntary group that meets yearly from April to November with representatives from different agencies and organizations.

The goal of the committee is to enhance the public awareness of the potential of persons with disabilities. The committee recognizes those employers who have employed persons with disabilities and made the necessary accommodations for those employees to be a part of the mainstream workforce. An employee with a disability is also recognized each year as the Employee of the Year.

In addition, an assistive technology contest is also held for school age youth in an effort to increase their awareness of individuals with disabilities.

*If you would like to be part of this wonderful organization, please contact  
Twyla Austin at 540-332-7376*

## *The Shenandoah Valley Regional Committee for Disability Employment Awareness*



*Proudly Presents The  
2006  
Annual Awards Luncheon  
&  
Silent Auction*



## Ready for the Global Workforce!

You are invited to attend the  
Annual Awards Luncheon  
**Thursday, October 26, 2006**  
at the Holiday Inn Conference Center,  
Staunton, Virginia

Exhibitor Displays 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Silent Auction 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Lunch 12:00 p.m.

Presenter: Ms. Wheelchair America 2005, Ms. Juliette Rizzo

Each year the Disability Employment Awareness Committee plans programs and activities to promote and foster positive employment outcomes for individuals with disabilities.

Activities culminate with a luncheon each October celebrating *National Disability Employment Awareness Month*. Awards are given to local employers and employees of the year at the luncheon.

Our guest speaker is Ms. Juliette Rizzo who is currently the Director of Exhibits and Events Planning in the Department of Education, mobilizing 28 national events to raise awareness of educational opportunities to all Americans. She appeared on "Education News Parents Can Use: Keeping Kids Healthy, Physically Fit and Learning Throughout the Year" broadcast on The Learning Channel and the Public Broadcasting Service. Juliette holds a Master of Journalism degree, focusing on public relations with a unique minor in rehabilitation studies from the University of North Texas, and a Bachelor of Science degree in journalism from Texas A&M University. She appeared on "The CBS Early Show" in New York as the national spokeswoman for National Women's Health Week, a first for a woman with a disability; as the first model in a power wheelchair in the American Heart Association's national Heart Truth campaign in Wisconsin; on "The Today Show" with Al Roker raising awareness of scleroderma; helped the U.S. Surgeon General roll out the first Call to Action for Health and Wellness of People with Disabilities in America; delivered remarks at the American Airlines Corporate Headquarters; co-hosted an international Fourth of July broadcast to the troops in Iraq; and appeared at the Rose Bowl and the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parades as Ms. Wheelchair America 2005.

If you or a representative from your business are unable to attend and would like to make a tax deductible donation or issue a gift certificate, please mail to: WWRC Council of Organizations, Box W-528, P.O. Box 1500, Fishersville, VA 22939. On the memo line please put "SVRCDEA".

### Annual Awards Luncheon Registration Form

The cost of the luncheon is \$15.00 per person with advance registration only. The doors open at 11:00 a.m. for the silent auction and viewing of exhibitor displays.

Please list the name(s) of people attending and any assistive devices, services or other accommodations needed to participate  
*no later than close of business Fri., October 20.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Address  
and/or  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Address  
and/or  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

Interpreter Needed? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Special Accommodation(s) Needed: \_\_\_\_\_

Check here for Vegetarian Entrée: \_\_\_\_\_

Please clip and mail this form with your check made payable to "WWRC Council of Organizations" to:

Michelle Burnett  
City Of Staunton, HR Department  
P.O. Box 58  
Staunton, VA 24402

For more information, visit our website at:  
<http://wwrc.virginia.gov/SVRCDEA>